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WEDNESDAY, JAN. 26, 1881.

EUGENE HALE has been elected U. S. senator from Maine.

On the second ballot for senator Paddock received 40 votes.

THOS. C. PLATT will be one of the future senators from New York.

The damage by flood in the Thames is set down at £10,000,000.

THOS. F. BAYARD has been re-elected United States senator from Delaware.

The senate has confirmed John M. Morton surveyor of customs at San Francisco.

JAMES F. WILSON, of Iowa, is spoken of as the next secretary of the U. S. treasury.

The weather predicted by Vennon last week transpired in a big snow storm at Montreal.

Gov. FOSTER, of Ohio, is spoken of as a candidate for a cabinet office under Gen. Garfield.

SERIOUS floods are reported in Spain, and immense damage has been done to property.

It is stated that over 70,000 citizens of Albany participated in the reception to Gen. Grant.

EDWARD STANTON, of Illinois, now consul at Bremer, is to be consul general at St. Petersburg.

The Fort Clark elevator, with 25,000 bushels of grain, were burned last Saturday morning.

WASATCH flouring mill, near Salt Lake city, was burned last week. Loss on mill and grain, \$20,000.

JAMES E. BOYD, of Omaha, has killed between 46,000 and 47,000 hogs since the 1st of November.

JACOB RICH has been appointed and confirmed by the U. S. senate, pension agent at Des Moines, Ia.

CHAS. SCHLOTZ was arrested in Chicago the other day charged with the murder of his stepfather named O'Brien.

The friends of Gen. Thayer, of this state, are pressing his claims for the secretaryship of the interior under Gen. Garfield.

REPORTS come from the western plains that the cattle, during the present severe weather, are suffering very considerably.

The friends of Paddock held a caucus on the evening of the 19th, and unanimously passed a resolution to stick by him.

The auction sale of pews in Beecher's church furnished the sum of \$29,336, which was an increase of \$3,000 over last year.

C. D. ROBISON and D. C. McCadly, farmers, living near Councilville, Pa., were suddenly killed while felling a tree the other day.

MINNEAPOLIS was visited the other night by a \$20,000 fire. A residence was totally consumed and two factories badly damaged.

CADET WHITTAKER, of West Point, is being court-martialed on his own request, to find out if it is true that he mutilated his own ears.

The state board of agriculture have elected J. T. Clarkson, president, J. C. McBride, secretary, and Christ Hartman, treasurer.

VANDERBILT, it is stated, will take control of the Union Pacific in March next, as it is claimed he has secured 112,000 shares of stock.

The history of the "Rise and fall of the Confederate Government," said to be written by Jefferson Davis, is soon to be issued by the Appleton's.

The census returns show a population for this country of 50,000,000. It is claimed that it will require an appropriation of \$500,000 to finish the work.

The census returns give 245 cities in the United States as having a population of 10,000. The figures show that Omaha has 30,518 and Lincoln 13,004.

LEOPOLD DE ROTHSCHILD, a son of Baron De Rothschild, was married at London, on the 19th inst., to Miss Peruggia of Trieste, at the Portland street synagogue.

It is stated that Jay Gould predicts one of the greatest financial panics in the history of the world, as the result of the present unprecedented mania for speculation.

The announcement is made in New York that the building of a double track trunk line of railway from that city to Chicago and Omaha has been definitely arranged.

GEN. J. R. HAWLEY was elected United States senator the other day from Connecticut by a vote of 177 to 72. One democrat and one independent voted for Gen. Hawley.

SENATOR BALDWIN has been elected to fill the unexpired term of Senator Chandler, ending next March. Conger received, for the full term, 111 votes; Lathrop 15.

A FIRE in Deadwood, D. T., the other day, destroyed the book and art gallery of Hamilton & Rockfellow, and the drug store of Knowles & Marshman. The loss will reach \$25,000.

SENATOR HOAR has introduced a bill in the U. S. Senate to provide for retiring presidents, which proposes to pay annually to ex-presidents of the United States a sum equal to one-fourth of the salary while in office.

U. S. Senator.

After a contest of five days, and on the seventeenth joint ballot, last Saturday Gen. C. H. Van Wyck, of Otse county, was elected by the two houses of the Nebraska legislature, United States Senator from Nebraska, for the term of six years, commencing on the 4th of March next. This vote resulted as follows: Gen. Van Wyck received 68 votes, Mr. Paddock 36, Judge Kinney 4, and Governor Nance 4.

Those who are best acquainted with Gen. Van Wyck unite in the opinion that he will make a true and able senator, and that the interests of the state of Nebraska will not suffer in his hands. He has some experience in legislation having served while living in New York four successive terms in Congress—and is at the present time a member of the Nebraska senate, where he has exhibited no mean knowledge and talent in the application of parliamentary law in the transaction of business in that body. His election tolerably well settles the custom which has gained considerable strength now that no United States senator from Nebraska can be elected a second term. It may now be written that the custom has been fully established among politicians of Nebraska, that a senator's term from this state expires in six years, and that under no circumstances can he be re-elected.

Upon the whole, we don't know but what the custom is a good one, especially so far as the rotation and distribution of office is concerned, their being so many applicants, it will give a better chance to circulate the political crowd in Nebraska.

Hold Robbery.

One of the most daring and successful robberies that has occurred in this state, took place at Wahoo on last Saturday evening. The agent of the road, Mr. C. T. Henderson, was still at the depot at 10 o'clock waiting for the arrival of a delayed train, and while sitting there alone two masked men entered the room, one of them holding a cocked revolver in each hand, ordered Henderson to hold up his hands and gave him just two minutes to unlock the office safe, which he did, and from which the robbers took about \$922.00 and after locking the agent in the room made their escape.

One of the robbers was about five feet, ten inches in height, rather slender, and wore a gray overcoat which reached nearly to his knees. The other robber was short, thick set, and about five feet, four inches in height. He had on a short gray overcoat, patched in the lower left hand corner. A reward of \$250 was offered for the capture and conviction of the parties who perpetrated the deed and for the recovery of the money.

A BALLOT was taken in the house, at Lincoln, on the 18th at 5 o'clock p. m. for United States senator, which resulted as follows: Paddock 28; Van Wyck 11; Weaver 11; Mason 7; Dundy 8; Nance 1; Wakely 7; Manderson 1; Post 7; Kaley 1; Laird 1. The senate took a ballot at 6 p. m. Paddock received 11; Van Wyck 3; Weaver 3; Mason 2; Dundy 3; Nance 1; Wakely 3; Post 2; Teft 1. Those voting for Paddock in the senate were Baker, Evans, Harrington, Morse, Myers, Perkins, Smith, Turner, Wells, White, Zebrung.

The recent apportionment introduced in Congress by Mr. Cox, fixes the number of representatives at 301. The bill gives Nebraska three representatives in congress. This bill will make the following losses and gains: Arkansas, California, Iowa, Michigan, Mississippi, South Carolina and West Virginia gain one each, Kansas gains three, Texas four, Minnesota and Nebraska gain two each, Pennsylvania, Ohio, New Hampshire, Maine, Tennessee, Indiana, Florida and Vermont lose one, and New York loses two.

An anti-Paddock caucus was held on the night of the 21st, at which forty members pledged themselves to vote for him under no circumstances. There was some trouble at the Paddock caucus between the Nance men and the friends of Paddock, the former seeking to bind the latter to an agreement by which one or the other candidate should receive the full strength of the caucus throughout the fight. The Paddock men would not agree to it, and about twenty Nance men withdrew.

MISS CARDIFF and Miss Dougherty while coasting the other day at Reading, Pa., were fatally injured. The brave young man who was guiding the sled saw the danger, rolled off and escaped injury; while the sled sped forward with the girls crashing against a telegraph pole, fracturing the skull of Miss Cardiff and mashing her face to a jelly, while Miss Dougherty had her back broken and her internal organs fearfully ruptured.

The vote for senator in joint convention at Lincoln on the 19th, gave Paddock forty votes, gaining only one vote over his former figures. All guessing as to the final result seems out of place, but if the democratic principle of the majority ruling, should happen to strike that joint convention's petty factions, it might lie in one ray of light from the people.

Lincoln Correspondence.

LINCOLN, Jan. 22, 1880.

The senatorial contest is over at last, culminating this evening. Of course, you will get the particulars as to the vote, from the dailies, but they can never give you all the ins and outs of the contest. It seemed to be a general opinion at the first of the session that the election would be had on the third or fourth ballot, and that Senator Paddock would make it on the first or second, or not at all. It was a general surprise that his forces remained solid throughout and could not be stymied. This was due to several considerations; among them, Mr. Paddock was believed to be the choice of the constituencies represented, as against other candidates; he was known to be the second choice of a very large majority of the joint convention; until the moment of its accomplishment by the anti-Paddock caucus, the friends of the Senator did not believe that the opposition could agree to support a candidate, much less that that candidate would be Van Wyck, but so it was, and the first ballot taken by the joint convention after the recess evidenced that all the members of the caucus were true to their pledge.

The Senator elect is an able man and an ardent republican. He is now a member of the State senate from Otse county. Having been in congress before (six years from New York) his present good fortune is not likely to turn his head.

Among the happy men upon the platform during the progress of the last ballot was Mr. Rosewater of the Omaha Bee, whose face was all smiles. This was likewise the case with Mr. Crouse. The new Senator is supposed to be on good terms with these men and with the Saunders element of the party.

Your correspondent believes that while Gen. Van Wyck will not forget those who elected him, he will yet recognize as worthy of regard any good Nebraskan.

It is to be hoped that the legislature will now be free to do its regular legislative business. There has, as yet, been no discussion of bills in the senate, none having passed to a third reading. The House is about to wrestle with a large number of bills.

The prohibition question is making some stir in the city, but has not come up for discussion in the legislature; in fact, what with contesting for seats and general maneuvering for position in the senatorial battle, members have had their thoughts too much occupied to do much legislation. I find no objection among members, so far as I have talked with them, to submitting the proposition of prohibition to the people, in the shape of an amendment to the constitution.

Fred. Nye, one of the Omaha Republican's correspondents here, has gone out of his way to try to belittle the senator for your district, M. K. Turner, whose quiet coolness during the baitings for senator seems to have been a special offense to this "nervous spectator." Freddie may learn, after a long while, that men may differ from him in opinion, and yet be neither fools nor knaves. The "amateur journalist" and precocious prophet should make a deeper study of human nature.

Everybody is remarking the splendid winter weather, which gives us such fine sleighing.

I noticed this week in Lincoln, Wm. McAllister, B. Millett, A. M. Post, J. W. Early, R. H. Henry, Frank North and Ed. Hoare of your county.

Lincoln has a good opera house, and almost every night sees it crowded with people.

WAMPUM.

AFTER the announcement of the result of the election of Gen. Van Wyck U. S. Senator, and in response to repeated vociferous calls the senator elect came forward and delivered the following address:

"MR. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA:—You will believe me when I say that words can faintly express the feeling of gratitude I experience. The great honor you have done me this day. It is no light honor to be elected a representative in the highest tribunal in the American republic of a sovereign, noble people. It is an honor to represent any state in this Union upon the floor of the United States senate, and still more so to represent one of the brave, young, vigorous and strongest of the sisterhood of states, and I thank you for having placed me in this position. As a state we look upon our present with gratification, pride and joy, and when we look at the possibilities of the future for ourselves as a commonwealth we may take courage and feel that the time is not far distant when this young but growing state of ours will stand side by side with, and the peer of, the noblest and grandest in the galaxy of states. I rejoice with you and with the people of Nebraska that the great work of re-union, probably in this great body and in the legislature there is no unkind or unpleasant feeling in any direction. We may congratulate ourselves on this campaign having been free from that. While a ripple was produced this morning over a little circumstance that transpired, it is due to me, due to this legislature, due to the commonwealth of Nebraska, due to the judicial mantle which he has worn so long and honorably, through so many years, (cries of good, good, good, and a storm of applause) that this campaign has been free from that. While a ripple was produced this morning over a little circumstance that transpired, it is due to me, due to this legislature, due to the commonwealth of Nebraska, due to the judicial mantle which he has worn so long and honorably, through so many years, (cries of good, good, good, and a storm of applause) that this campaign has been free from that. 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